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March 06, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

51 March 6, 2012

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION OF AN AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE  
RECOGNITION SYSTEM TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT'S NORWALK SHERIFF'S STATION  
(FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

The city of La Mirada (City) intends to donate one vehicle mounted Federal Signal/PIPS Corporation Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) system to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) for use in the City. The City is providing the ALPR system for exclusive use in connection with investigations and law enforcement activities in the City by the Department's Norwalk Sheriff's Station (NWK) personnel.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve and instruct the Chairman to accept the donation for one ALPR system to include: four dual lens cameras, custom camera cabling, ALPR processor, GPS module, all required software, and mounting equipment, valued at \$25,504. The ALPR system is for exclusive use in a Department-owned vehicle operated by Department personnel contracted by the City in connection with investigations and law enforcement activities in the City by NWK personnel.
2. Instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to send a letter of appreciation to Tom Robinson, City Manager of La Mirada, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California, 90638, for the generous donation.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The City wishes to donate one new ALPR system integrated into the Department's Mobile Digital Computer platform in a patrol vehicle. The ALPR system will be installed in a vehicle operated by Department personnel contracted by the City.

The ALPR system is comprised of a dual lens infra-red and color overview camera, which points in all directions. The camera continuously scans and records vehicle license plate numbers, which alerts deputy personnel of stolen vehicles, and wanted or missing persons. Each license plate number scanned is recorded into a database with date, time, GPS location, and photograph of the vehicle. The use of this system has assisted station detectives in solving numerous crimes and locating several missing persons. The ALPR system has proven to be a valuable tool in our effort to impact crime and keep the community safe.

The City is extremely pleased with the results they have seen with the use of the ALPR system. Arrests of wanted suspects and the recovery of stolen vehicles have dramatically increased. The City recognizes the success of the ALPR program and elected to be an active participant in assisting the Department in keeping the City safe, by donating one ALPR system to NWK for use in the City.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Acceptance of this donation supports the Los Angeles County's (County) Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness; and Goal 5, Public Safety. The ALPR system will enhance both the quality and productivity of services provided by NWK.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There is no additional cost, other than maintenance. The annual maintenance cost for the ALPR system is \$2,000 per year, which will be paid for by funds allocated by the Department for continued maintenance costs.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

State law authorizes the acceptance of gifts for specific County purposes in Government Code Section 25355. This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There is no impact on current County services.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon Board approval, please return an adopted copy of this Board letter to the Department's Communications and Fleet Management Bureau.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Leroy" being more prominent.

LEROY D. BACA  
Sheriff

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